

## FOOD, CIVIL SUPPLIES AND LABOUR SECRETARIAT

**Issues orders re. the discontinuance of the State series of Bangalore centre of Consumers Price Index Numbers after December 1968.**

## REFERENCE—

1. Letter No. 4/37/67-LWI. II (iii), dated 2nd December 1967, from the Government of India forwarding the report of the Expert Committee on Consumer Price Index Numbers.
2. Letter No. C.P.I./5312-3, dated 25th May 1968 from the Director, Bureau of Economics and Statistics, Government of Mysore, Bangalore.
3. Letter No. C.P.I./15773-4, dated 28th August 1968 from the Director, Bureau of Economics and Statistics, Government of Mysore, Bangalore.

## PREAMBLE.—

The Expert Committee on the State Series of Consumer Price Index numbers for Kanpur, Calcutta, Bangalore and Mysore was appointed by the Government of India on 2nd February 1967, to examine and suggest in respect of Bangalore whether any change is necessary in the linking factors worked out by the Labour Bureau for deriving the old series from the new series on base 1960=100 because of any deficiencies relating to pricing of various index items included in the old series. In respect of Mysore Centre, the Committee was expected to examine and suggest whether any adjustment is necessary for removing any deficiencies, relating to the pricing of the various index items included in the existing series before the Index for the centre is used for compilation of All-India working class consumer price index numbers on base 1949=100. The Committee after examining the facts felt that since the family Budget Survey conducted in 1958-59 by the Labour Bureau for deriving the weighting diagram for the new series for Bangalore Centre was more scientific and comprehensive, and also as the consumption pattern has significantly changed it would be better to discontinue the old series with base 1935-36 compiled by the State Government. The Expert Committee on Consumers Price Index numbers has recommended to discontinue the State series for Bangalore centre and to adopt 4.51 as linking factor for estimating Bangalore Index on base 1935-36=100 from the Labour Bureau, new series on base 1960=100.

The Director, Bureau of Economics and Statistics, has reported that the fresh family Budget Survey has been completed for Mysore centre and the construction of new consumers Price Index numbers may take about a year or so. As the family Budget Survey conducted during 1941-42 was itself very defective and as this family Budget Survey was taken for the base year 1935-36, any corrections or adjustment in some of the prices cannot rectify the basic deficiencies of the old series for Mysore. Therefore, he has suggested that the old series for Mysore centre may continue for the time being as the fresh family Budget Survey has already been completed and the construction of new series is in the offing.

**ORDER No. FCL 108 LBW 67, BANGALORE, DATED THE 21ST FEBRUARY 1969.**

The Government have examined the report of the Expert Committee on Consumers Price Index numbers appointed by the Government of India. They have also examined the report of the Director, Bureau of Economics and Statistics. The Government accept the recommendations of the Expert Committee that the old series for Bangalore centre may be discontinued. It is, therefore, ordered that the old Consumers Price Index numbers compiled by the State Government for Bangalore centre may be discontinued after December, 1968. The linking factor of 4.51 as suggested by the Committee shall be adopted for estimating Bangalore Index on base 1935-36=100 from the Labour Bureau New Series on base 1960=100. As far as Mysore series are concerned, they shall continue till new series are constructed on the basis of the family Budget Survey recently completed.

**By Order and in the name of the Governor of Mysore**

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